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Montana State Inter-Scholastic Meet

On May 13, 14, 15 and 16, 1908, the University of Montana will open its grounds and halls to welcome the High Schools of the State to participate in the Fifth Annual State Inter-Scholastic Meet.

Believing in the great importance of physical education and in the rare educational value of play and all manly contests and sports, the University established, in 1904, this Interscholastic High School Meet to stimulate interest in the right sort of Athletics, to promote acquaintance and good fellowship among the schools of the state and to draw more closely together all the educational interests of the state.

The meets have been successful in all these aims and the success has been greater in each succeeding year.

We trust that every High School in the state, will begin in good season to make active preparations to attend the coming meet and contribute to its success. Let the pleasure and profit of the occasion be the chief consideration, not the chance of winning or losing.

The following is the general program of the meet: Wednesday evening, declamatory contest; Thursday morning, regular meeting of the Montana Inter-Scholastic Association in Convocation Hall, to be followed by a meeting of all contestants for the preliminaries of receiving numbers, drawing for places, etc.; Thursday afternoon, track contest; Thursday evening, declamation contest continued; Friday afternoon, track contest continued; Friday evening, awarding prizes at the Opera House.

Please examine carefully the contents of this circular so that no one of the requirements be overlooked, especially the date on which anything is to be done. Requirements and the time for performing them have been carefully considered and exact compliance is essential for the complete success of the meet. Note particularly some modification of arrangements for entertainment.

PRIZES

Gold, silver and bronze medals are awarded to contestants in athletics and declamation. The winner of first place is awarded a beautiful gold medal, suitably inscribed; for second place each winner is given a silver medal, bronze to the third.

Medals are given for each athletic event, except the relay race, for which a separate prize, a silver cup, is awarded. In declamation six medals are given,

three to the young men and three to the young women. In case of a tie in any event two medals are given, no matter how the points are decided.

The beautiful Spaulding cup, which is held annually by the school winning the athletic meet, is to be awarded permanently this year to the school which shall have won the greatest number of points in five years. This will be the fifth year of the meet, hence the decision will be made at its close, and the school whose total points in athletics for the five years reaches the highest number will hold the cup permanently. This will make competition keen for the events of the year.

The Missoula Mercantile Company of Missoula has awarded a handsome cup to the school winning the meet. This prize has been given annually, and will be awarded again this year.

The University awards two prizes, in addition to the medals. (1) A gold watch to the individual winning the greatest number of points in the meet, known as the individual prize. Heretofore a silver cup has been awarded for this prize. (2) A silver cup to the school winning the relay race.

All of the medals, cups and prizes are awarded on Friday evening following the athletic meet, in Union Opera House, to which all contestants are given free admission.

No institution in the country gives so generously in medals and prizes. There are awarded sixteen gold, sixteen silver and sixteen bronze medals, a total of forty-eight; three cups, and a gold watch, a total of fifty-one prizes. These have been awarded annually ever since the meet was organized. With such a large number of prizes small schools have good chance of winning prizes, and they have been distributed quite generally, as the tabulated statement given later will show.

RULES OF ELIGIBILITY

The competitors in all contests, both declamatory and athletic, must be bona-fide students from the high schools of the state of Montana in accordance with the rulings adopted by the Montana State Inter-Scholastic Association, which are as follows:

Section 1. No student shall be eligible to play in any Association contest unless regularly enrolled in regular attendance, and registered in at least fifteen recitations of prepared work, or its equivalent, weekly.

Section 2. No student shall be eligible to play in any Association contest who has not a passing grade to date in every study he is taking.

Section 3. No student shall be eligible to play in any Association contest who has not been enrolled as a regular student for at least two weeks directly preceding such contest.

Section 4. No student shall be eligible to participate in fall or winter sports who enrolls later than October 15th; nor in spring sports who enrolls

later than March 1st of any year; provided, that the above shall not apply to pupils received by transfer from other schools. Such pupils must show an original enrollment as described above.

Section 5. No student shall be eligible to play in any Association contest who has already played for four years in interscholastic games, or who is a high school graduate.

Section 6. No student shall be eligible to play in any Association contest who is more than twenty-one years of age.

Section 7. No student who, after leaving the eighth grade, has competed for money, or under a false name, or with a professional for a prize, or who has sold a prize for money, shall be eligible to play under the rules of this Association.

Section 8. No student who has ever been a member of an institution of learning higher than secondary rank, shall be eligible to play under the rules of this Association.

Section 9. All girls' basket ball games shall be played under the rules governing girls' games.

Section 10. No student who shall sever his connection with any school during any athletic season, or before the close of either semester, shall be eligible to compete in the same sport until he shall have been in regular attendance one full semester.

Section 11. The rules of this Association shall apply to all forms of interscholastic athletics.

Adopted at Helena, Montana, Dec. 28, 1904.

AMENDMENTS

(1) That the scores of all athletic meets and games be published by the Secretary and that no games be recorded except those governed by the regulations of the Association.

(2) That no games be played by teams of high schools which are members of the Association, in which one or more rules are waived by mutual consent.

Adopted at Livingston, Dec., 1905.

The officers of the Montana Inter-Scholastic Athletic Association are as follows:

OFFICERS

President, ... R. J. Condon, Helena
Vice-President, ... P. M. Silloway, Lewistown
Secretary, ... J. M. Kay, Townsend

PLAN ADOPTED BY THE UNIVERSITY

The University of Montana proposes to carry out the following plan in connection with the Inter-Scholastic Meet:

1. The University will pay the railroad fare of three pupils from each of the accredited high schools of the state to Missoula and return (meals and sleeper not included).

2. The University urgently requests schools to send one or more teachers with their students. No school should send contestants without a competent chaperone, who shall lodge with them and be responsible for their proper deportment. No school will be given quarters in the Gymnasium without such a chaperone. The University does not pay the railroad fares of chaperones, but furnishes entertainment for them same as to contestants.

3. Entertainment—Lodgings, meals and transfer of baggage will be furnished free to all contestants and chaperones who lodge and take meals on the University Campus. Expense for those preferring to lodge or get meals in the city will be met to this extent: for lodging not more than fifty cents per day and for not more than three days; for meals not more than thirty-five cents per meal. Expense above these amounts must be borne by the parties themselves.

Every effort will be made to furnish comfortable lodging and good meals on the campus, but some may prefer to lodge in the city; those doing so may take part, if not all their meals on the campus, and may have a space in the Gymnasium for resting and dressing.

Obviously the University cannot afford to make provision for the same persons on the campus and in the city. Arrangements must be made some time before the meet; therefore unless notice of intention to lodge in the city is given at least two weeks before the first day of the meet, it will be assumed that there is no such intention and provision will be made for entertainment on the campus. In such cases no part of expense incurred for entertainment outside the campus will be met.

Those lodging in the Gymnasium will be supplied with a canvass cot, a pillow, and a comfort for mattress. Other bedding and towels must be brought and it is advised that plenty of blankets be brought.

When requested the University Committee will try to secure lodgings in the city for contestants and chaperones, but cannot guarantee them and be responsible for obtaining them.

Meals may be obtained in the city by the regular coupons of meal tickets. Those entitled to a refund of fifty cents per day for lodgings in the city, may obtain it by presenting hotel receipts to Prof. M. J. Elrod, on Friday morning at the University.

4. Chaperones and contestants will be admitted free to the Athletic contests and to the final entertainment at the Opera House. An admission fee will be charged at the declamatory contest and declamatory contestants only will be admitted free.

5. No expenses will be paid to the pupil who does not enter as a contestant in one or more contests, as outlined later.

6. Schools not on the accredited list may send delegates as they please and such delegates as qualify under the standard which all contestants must attain in their respective events to be admitted will be treated as delegates from accredited high schools in every way except in the matter of payment of railroad fare.

7. But one contestant from a school will be permitted to enter the declamatory contest. This contest is open to both sexes. The contestants are not to be appointed, but are to win the honor of representation by a local home contest in such a manner as the school authorities may direct.

8. It is allowable for a contestant to enter both the declamatory contest and the athletic events.

RAILROAD CERTIFICATES

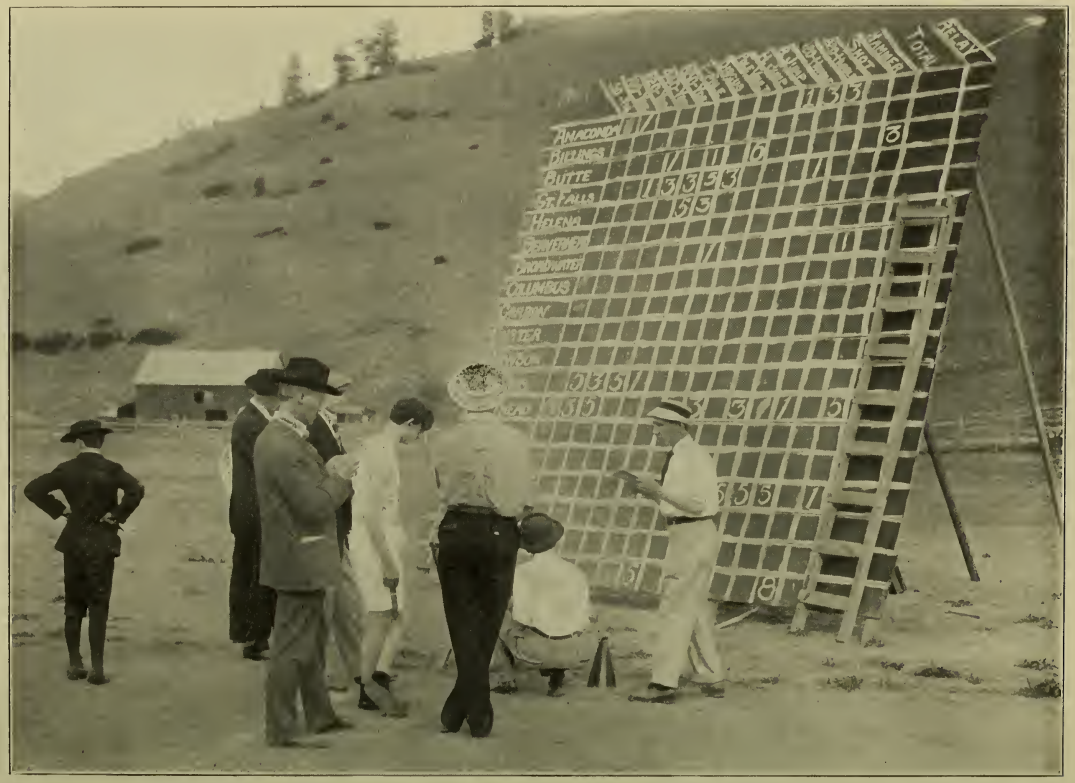
Those attending must read carefully the following conditions relative to tickets. The committee having charge of the Inter-Scholastic meet cannot be responsible for loss occasioned by not securing proper certificates. A rate of one fare and one-third has been given by the railroads of the state and is expected this year. Purchasers of tickets on the Great Northern will pay full fare to Butte or Helena, going, and re-purchase over the Northern Pacific to Missoula. In most cases two receipts must be taken, (one) to cover purchase over each road. It is absolutely necessary that receipt be taken in order to receive reduced rate returning.

Purchasers over the Northern Pacific must take receipt at place of purchase, paying full fare going.

Tickets are good three days prior to date of meeting going and one day after meeting returning, Sundays excepted.

Delegates will present their receipts on arrival to Prof. M. J. Elrod who will refund the amount of purchase and give to each holder of a receipt the amount necessary to return home at one-third rate. Receipts will be signed by him and returned to original holders. These receipts for railroads are necessary and must be presented at the ticket office to secure reduced fare returning.

Parties attending, who are not delegates, may receive the same rates. Receipts must be taken as indicated above. These receipts will be signed by the treasurer, named above, after which they will be honored at ticket office for reduced fare returning.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DECLAMATORY CONTEST

In the Declamatory contest the following rules will govern:

The judges will be selected from a list of disinterested persons by the Faculty of the University. Places on the program will be determined by lot. The points of merits will be on a scale of 100 per cent, as follows:

Pronunciation	10
Enunciation	10
Selection	10
General Delivery	70
Total	100

The judges shall, after each contestant finishes, return their markings in a sealed envelope to the committee in charge of the contest, and the decision shall be rendered as follows:

If any selection received the highest rank by a majority of the judges, it shall be given first place. If no selection is so marked, the one receiving the largest sums of the percentages, shall be declared the winner. The second and third places shall be decided in the same way. As noted below, two different sets of medals will be awarded; one set to the girls, the other to the boys. A time-keeper shall be appointed by the committee, who shall note the length of time taken for the selections rendered. Selections must not take longer than ten minutes for delivery; and those contestants exceeding the time limit will not be considered in the selection of winner.

The contestants for this inter-scholastic and declamatory contest shall be chosen at a local contest. The names of the contestants must be in the hands of the committee at the University on or before May 8, 1908. Each school shall be represented in the declamatory contest by only one representative. The selection to be given by any contestant may be prose or poetry, humorous, pathetic, oratorical, or dramatic, and must not take longer than ten minutes for delivery as noted above. Requirements for eligibles in this contest are the same as for athletic contests. In order to avoid what may otherwise prove unavoidably unfair, two different sets of medals, gold, silver and copper will be awarded—one set to the boys, the other set to the girls ranking highest in their respective lists. Of course, it is understood that in no cases shall a high school have more than one representative in this contest. In the event of a tie for either first, second or third places, it is to be understood that each person trying for a particular place will be furnished with the corresponding medal.

WINNERS OF PAST DECLAMATORY CONTESTS

By way of information the winners of the four preceding contests are given below.

In 1904—Butte, first; Livingston, second; and Great Falls, third.

In 1905—Hamilton, first; Butte, second; and Livingston, third.

In 1906, of young men's contest—Missoula, first; Butte, second; and Broadwater and Fergus, tie for third.

Winners of young ladies' contest—Gallatin, first; Helena, second; and Park, third.

In 1907, of young men's contest—Teton, first; Flathead, second; Beaverhead, third.

Winners of young ladies' contest—Butte, first; Park, second; Gallatin, third.

ATHLETIC EVENTS

The athletic events which will be given at the meet, together with the standard which the competitors in each event must attain before they can be entered in that event, are given below. In each event first place will count five points, second place three points, and third place one point. The rules as laid down in the Official A. A. U. Handbook shall govern the points in regard to any event. Suitable prizes, as has been the custom in the preceding meets, will be awarded point winners in the different events. In case the referee declares a tie for any place in an event, the points should be split, but the corresponding medal will be given each contestant so trying. However, if a tie occurs in any event which causes a tie between two or more schools for the first place of the whole meet, the particular event causing the tie shall be run over so that the first place of the whole meet shall be awarded to only one school.

Especial emphasis is to be placed this year on Section 5 of "Plan Adopted by the University." In order to secure true sportsmanship and the fulfillment of the plans of the meet, it is urgently desired that all contestants enter the events they have trained for. If any contestant fails to have his name checked off as a competitor in any of the events, the committee in charge of the meet feel justified in refusing to pay the expenses of such a person.

Not more than three contestants from the same school will be allowed to enter the same event.

Below is the list of athletic events together with the standard that each candidate must attain before he can be considered eligible to compete in the Inter-Scholastic Meet at Missoula.

	Events	Standard of Eligibility
1.	50 yd. dash	6 sec.
2.	100 yd. dash	12 sec.
3.	220 yd. dash	27 sec.
4.	440 yd. run	1 min. 5 sec.
5.	880 yd. run	2 min. 30 sec.
6.	1 mile run	5 min. 30 sec.
7.	Pole vault	7½ feet
8.	Running high jump	4½ feet

9. Running broad jump ..... 15 feet
10. 120 yard high hurdles ..... 27 sec.
(Hurdles 3 feet 6 inches high.)
11. 220 yard high hurdles ..... 40 sec.
Hurdles 2 feet 6 inches high.)
12. 12-lb. shot-put ..... 27 feet
13. 12-lb. hammer-throw ..... 70 feet
14. Discus-throw ..... 60 feet
15. One-half mile relay race ..... Each man to run 220 yards

The high hurdles must be 3 feet 6 inches high. The first hurdle shall be 15 yards from the starting line, and from that one 10 yards shall separate the hurdles; the last hurdle shall be 15 yards from the finish line.

The 220 yards low hurdles shall be 2 feet 6 inches high. The first hurdle shall be 20 yards from the start, and 20 yards shall be the distance between them.

The following is a summary by points in the three preceding contests:

SUMMARY BY POINTS FOR CONTEST HELD IN 1904

Missoula	23	Park	7
Butte	18	Powell	5
Helena	16	Fergus	4⅓
Gallatin	14⅓	Billings	4
Flathead	10	Teton	2
Virginia City	10	Great Falls	1⅓
Anaconda	8		

SUMMARY BY POINTS FOR CONTEST HELD IN 1905

Butte	27	Park	8
Missoula	25	Broadwater	8
Anaconda	22	Fergus	6
Flathead	15	Philipsburg	4
Billings	10	Helena	1

SUMMARY BY POINTS FOR CONTEST HELD IN 1906

Anaconda	33	Great Falls	6
Butte	27	Teton	6
Missoula	22⅔	Gallatin	1⅓
Flathead	16	Granite	1
Fergus	12	Helena	1

SUMMARY BY POINTS FOR CONTEST HELD IN 1907

Flathead	26	Butte	11
Missoula	22	Anaconda	9
Great Falls	16	Helena	8
Fergus County	14	Gallatin	5
Teton	13	Broadwater	2

SUGGESTION

It is suggested that by holding a preliminary contest in declamation and a field meet to select the contestants, charging an admission fee to each, other contestants may be sent in addition to the three for which the University committee will pay. It is desired that each school shall send more than three delegates if possible.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

All schools intending to qualify must signify their intention of doing so by April 20th. The number of contestants and teachers with them must be determined and indicated to the University by May 1st and the names of the contestants and the events they are to enter by May 6th. The principal or some responsible person from each school must certify to the records made by contestants in the preliminary contests at home. No entries will be made without this certificate, and provisions for accommodation for those who send names in late cannot be made; for the reason that arrangements have to be made in advance by the University for cots, rooms, etc.

SOUVENIR PROGRAM

The committee in charge are desirous of getting out an artistic souvenir of the meet. In order to do this they must have the co-operation of the superintendents and principals of the high schools. The list of entries for each school must be in the hands of the committee by the sixth of May. The pictures of competing teams are requested to be sent to Prof. W. F. Book. In addition, it is especially desired that the pictures of those persons who won a first place in any event last year be sent together with his records.

INFORMATION

Those desiring information in regard to the entertainment of contestants and chaperones should write Prof. W. M. Aber; those desiring information on the declamatory contest should correspond with Miss Ruth E. Kellogg; and for information on any point on the athletic meet inquiries should be directed to Albion G. Findlay.

THE COMMITTEE

The Committee, as appointed by the University Faculty, to have charge of the meet, outlined in the previous pages, consists of Albion G. Findlay, Director of the Gymnasium for Men, Chairman; Ruth Elise Kellogg, Director of the Gymnasium for Women; Prof. Jesse P. Rowe, Prof. Wm. F. Book, Prof. Morton J. Elrod, Prof. W. M. Aber and Pres. O. J. Craig. This committee, representing the Faculty, will cheerfully answer any inquiries, and invite correspondence. They will do all in their power to make the meeting of delegates pleasant and to insure the carrying out of the plans as announced in this circular.

(Signed)

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